

District 11-A2

Roaring News

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August 2016



"Raise the Barr to Success"

Our first Cabinet Meeting for the new Lionistic year went well. Great turnout, great reports and lots of fun. PID Bill Hansen won the free registration to the District Convention next spring and promptly handed it to Elliott Hilton, the youngest President in our District. Hazel Park won door prizes as usual. I want to know how they can be so lucky – Peggy Burleson. . Thank you RC Shawn Blaszczyk for an excellent job of planning the meeting.

One thing wrong tho, you don't invite the District Governor to a golf course for a meeting without scheduling for her to play at least 9 holes of golf!!

1st Laddie PDG Doc announced his project would be "Coins for Corneas" with donations going to Eversight Michigan. This is a kick off of IPFL Kim's project - Coins for Camp. Lioness Liaison Lorie Papa will recommend that the project for the Lioness 1st half of the year would piggyback on 1st Laddies project. Ironically, at this first meeting, Doc collected \$174.59 and there weren't many coins, so maybe he should rename it "Bills for Corneas". Thank you for your generosity.

Our first Region Meeting date has changed! Region III Meeting hosted by ZC Kim Lubinski is now scheduled for Thursday, September 1 NOT September 14! Region III Clubs will be giving reports on **UPCOMING EVENTS**, so please be prepared and be sure to hand a hard copy of your report to the Region Chair. Region II Meeting is scheduled for September 19 hosted by ZC Kelley Unruh; Region I Meeting is scheduled for September 21 hosted by ZC's Walter Kulesza and Flaco Kontos.

Club Officers Training is scheduled for Saturday, August 20, 2016 at the Fraser Lions Den, 8:30AM. If you are currently a club officer, thinking about becoming a club officer, or maybe just curious about the training, please attend. Our District GLT Kimberly and her committee work hard in planning these



trainings so your attendance is appreciated. Unfortunately, your Governor will not be there since her home club of Novi hosting a golf outing that morning. Hmm, should I say attending the golf outing is the only way you are excused from the Club Officer Training, no, that won't work.

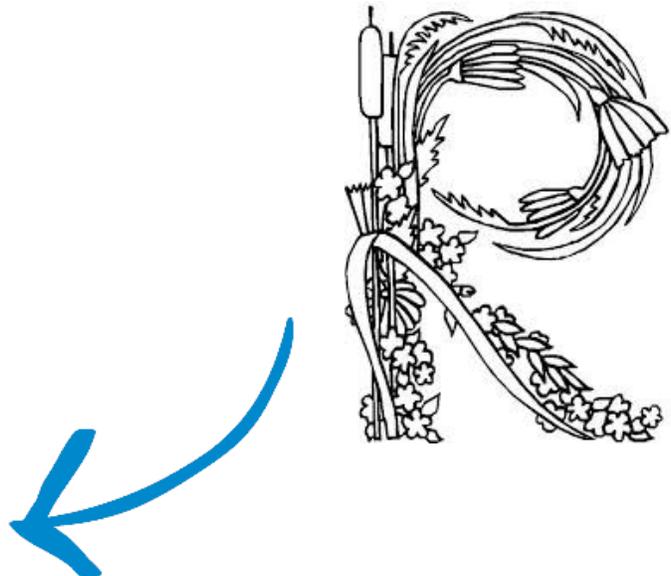
Congratulations to Armada Lions Club for celebrating their 75th Anniversary. The history they provided made me feel as though I had been in the club the entire 75 years! The way I understood it, the Lions were so busy with their events to take pictures, so when it came time to compose a PowerPoint presentation they didn't have enough pictures to document the events. So let this be a lesson to our clubs, take pictures!!!

Please be sure to check the District Calendar before planning an event. Then contact Lions Kimberly Thiede or Frank Cunningham to get your event on the calendar. Please don't forget if you want me to attend to let me know, I will do the best I can.

How would you like to meet our 100th Centennial International President Bob Corlew and his wife? Pres. Corlew is traveling through Michigan and stopping in Detroit on Thursday, September 29th. District 11-A1 Governor Martha Brown and I are organizing a reception to be held at the Doubletree Suites at 525 West Lafayette Blvd, Detroit from 8:00PM-9:30PM. There will be a small fee to cover hors d'oeuvres and we'll have a cash bar. A flyer will be available shortly. Pres. Corlew wants to meet as many Lions as possible. Let's show him what a strong District we have by showing him support.

Congratulations to our new International Director Jenny Ware from Single District 10, the upper peninsula. Dir. Jenny was elected in Japan. If you haven't met her, please make it a point to seek her out. She is delightful. Get her to start with her "upper accent" and you won't stop laughing.

District Governor Patti Barr



2nd VDG Jack Patton

Greetings, Fellow Lions of District 11-A2!

This is my first letter to the district since I became second vice district governor of this great district. It is my honor to serve the district in this office, and I intend to do the best job that I can.

Just to let you all know, at the last convention you voted on to which project I should donate in lieu of buying give-aways. Well, you overwhelmingly voted that the Bear Lake Camp should receive this money. At my last club board meeting, I brought this to our club board, and we voted on giving the monies to the camp's scholarship program. One happy camper will have a free ride, and I am sure it will be a life-changing experience at this awesome camp.



On July 30, my wife Lion Charlotte and I attended the Armada Club 75th anniversary dinner. It was a good time and good food. PDG Connie was the night's MC, and special guest speaker was PID John Walker. Also in attendance was the sister club of Armada, the Strathroy, Ontario Lions Club from Canada.

Some of the awards given out were two Melvin Jones, which went to ZC Leo Schaefer and Lion Daren Krause. Also two international president awards were given to two other members (sorry didn't write the names down). All in all it was a very enjoyable evening. Congratulations to Armada on their most impressive anniversary.

One of the things I need to do as 2nd VDG is to visit all the clubs in Region 2' so expect a phone call or email to set a date for my visit.

That's it for now! Enjoy the rest of your summer, because September will come up soon, and away we go into a new Lion year.

Sincerely yours in Lionism,

2nd VDG Jack Patton

District Cabinet Information

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We Serve



And Introducing...

Your Zone Chairs!!

(My sincere apologies for having left them out of last month's newsletter!)

Region 1 Zone 1 Chair John "Flaco" Kontos

248-802-0979

shleptos03@yahoo.com

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Centennial Service

Dear Lion,

It is truly an honor to serve as your new International President during our 100th year of service. As a young boy in Tennessee, I grew up instilled with the bonds of community — a rich tradition of neighbor helping neighbor and friends and strangers coming together for the good of our community.

Years later, I am honored to bring that commitment to community service to the office of International President. As we move toward our centennial Convention in Chicago I encourage you to celebrate this special moment in our history and continue to answer the call to serve those who need us most.

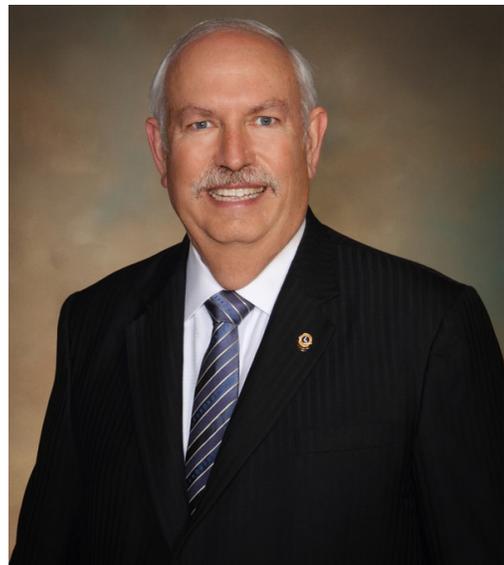
No matter where you are, there is an opportunity for your club to reach out to the poor and underserved and to bring hope to humanity.

I hope you'll visit my Theme Page to learn more about our vision for the upcoming year. I look forward to working with you, and Lions around the world, to climb new mountains and reach new heights of service.

Very truly yours,

Chancellor Bob Corlew

Your International President



Notes From the Editor...

Hello, Everyone!

It is difficult to believe that Summer is drawing to a close, and yet here we are facing Labor Day and the start of school in just a couple of weeks! There have been many awesome events throughout the summer put on by various clubs in the District, and there are still some coming up that will provide us with opportunities to serve, to have fun and to enjoy fellowship with other Lions and Lioness.



The newsletter continues to present me with some challenges, particularly with regards to how to best distribute it to the District. E-mail services are continuing to clamp down on spamming by installing filters that sort out emails based upon file sizes and the number of recipients. This past month, despite using the same email groups that I have been using from the beginning, I have received several notices that many of you did not receive your newsletter even though my computer says that it was sent! We had a brief discussion about this at the Cabinet Meeting earlier this month and a great idea was put forth; instead of sending a PDF file to each of you, it was suggested that I send an email with a link to the newsletter that is posted on the District web site. I plan on giving this a trial run for the September issue.

Additionally, in an effort to coordinate the District newsletter with my deadlines for submissions to Lions Pride I am going to make a change to our submission deadline. All articles and submissions must be sent to me no later than the **first of the month** for publication in that month's newsletter. The newsletter will be published on or around the 15th of the month. This deadline begins with the September issue.

A few months ago I stopped including flyers with the newsletter in an attempt to reduce the file size and hopefully fool the spam filters. Lion Frank Cunningham does a marvelous job of distributing this information and it seems a waste to duplicate it in the newsletter. Therefore, from this point forward, I will only include information for District-wide events and meetings in the newsletter.

Lastly, I very much would like for the newsletter to showcase club activities and news. Please send me any information and photos that you have or designate a person from your club to do so on a regular basis. We all work very hard serving our communities so I know that there is no shortage of things to brag about!

Yours in Lionism,

Lion Jim Boomer



Uniting Talent With Opportunity

Training equips Lions with the motivation, knowledge and skills to ensure that a high level of service is provided. It develops more leaders, and more leaders translates into greater service. Training makes Lions more effective!

Explore the opportunities that the Lions Leadership Institute can offer!

This year's Institute is being held November 11-13 at the R.A. MacMullan Center in Higgins lake. For more information, email lions@lionsofmi.com.

Deadline for application is September 30.



Lions Clubs International

Dear Lion Leaders,

We are sharing some important changes that impact new chartered clubs in the United States:

- Clubs chartered in the U.S. between December 18, 2015 and July 8, 2016 may need to file Form 8976 with the IRS by September 6, 2016.
- **All new clubs chartered in the U.S. after July 8, 2016 will need to file Form 8976 with the IRS.** LCI will include information in new charter club packets to help clubs comply with this new IRS requirement.

We have sent the message below to new clubs chartered between December 18, 2015 and July 8, 2016. Please help ensure that these clubs file Form 8976 if needed.

Please contact us if you have any questions.

Your LCI Legal Team
630-203-3847
legal@lionsclubs.org

Dear Club Leader,

The IRS has passed a new regulation requiring all newly-formed 501(c)(4) organizations to notify the IRS of their intention to operate as a 501(c)(4) by filing **Form 8976**, as stated in Internal Revenue Code 26 CFR 1.506. Currently, all Lions Clubs operate as 501(c)(4) organizations under the Internal Revenue Code. Your club may need to file Form 8976.

Do I need to file Form 8976?

- **My club filed tax documents with the IRS prior to July 8, 2016** – you do NOT need to file Form 8976 if the club has filed annual taxes with the IRS (Form 990, 990EZ or Form 990-N) or the club has filed form 1024 prior to July 8, 2016.
- **My club did NOT file tax documents with the IRS prior to July 8, 2016** – YOU NEED TO FILE Form 8976 if you have not filed tax documents with the IRS prior to July 8, 2016.

When do I need to file Form 8976?

All new clubs chartered between December 18, 2015 and July 8, 2016 that are required to file Form 8976 **must file by September 6, 2016**. Failure to file Form 8976 may result in fines of \$20 per day up to \$5,000.

All new clubs chartered on or after July 8, 2016 must file Form 8976 **within 60 days** of its charter date.

How do I file Form 8976?

Form 8976 and a \$50 filing fee must be submitted online at <https://services.irs.gov/registration/>. The IRS will automatically supply a confirmation when you submit the required information. Please maintain this confirmation for your records. Please note that this is a one-time filing for new clubs.

Where can I get more information?

Any questions regarding these requirements may be direct to the Legal Division by calling 1-630-203-3847 or by sending your questions to legal@lionsclubs.org.

Sincerely,

Your LCI Legal Division



Calling all Club Officers, those that are thinking about being Club Officers, or those that are just curious about it!

Club Officers training will be August 20, 2016

Fraser Lions Den
34540 Utica Rd, Fraser, MI 48026

Doors open at 8:30am
Coffee and donuts

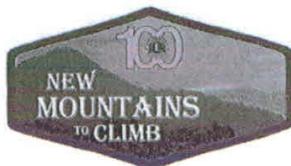
Session begins at 9:00am sharp

Responsibilities of each position

Time Management
Your life is a circus
Effective meetings
Resources and Training available to you

"Raise the Barr"





“Raise the Barr to Success”

District 11-A2 Region Meeting
September 1, 2016

Hosted by ZC Kim Lubinski
and the Eastpointe Lions Club

Location:
Eastpointe Manor
24611 Gratiot
Eastpointe, MI 48021

Social – 6:00 PM – Dinner 6:45 PM
(Cash Bar)

Meal Cost \$12.00

Please RSVP by August 22, 2016 to

ZC Kim Lubinski
30540 Lund
Warren, MI 48093

Checks Payable to: Eastpointe Lions

Name(s): _____
Club: _____
Number @ \$12.00 _____
Total Due _____

All Reservations must be paid in advance to secure a meal
Sorry No Phone Reservations



“Raise the Barr to Success”
District 11-A2 Region II Meeting
September 19, 2016
Hosted by ZC Kelley Unruh
and the Sterling Heights Lions Clubs

Location:
 Sterling Heights Lions Clubhouse
 12828 Canal Rd
 Sterling Heights, MI 48313

Social – 6:00 PM – Dinner 6:45 PM
 (Cash Bar)

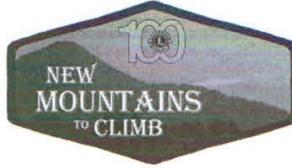
Meal Cost \$12.00

Please RSVP by Wednesday, September 7 to:
 Sterling Heights Lions Club
 Attn: ZC Kelley Unruh
 P.O. Box 462
 Sterling Heights, MI 48311-0462

Checks Payable to: Sterling Heights Lions

Name(s): _____
 Club: _____
 Number @ \$12.00 _____
 Total Due _____

All Reservations must be paid in advance to secure a meal
 Sorry No Phone Reservations



**“Raise the Barr to Success”
 District 11-A2 Region I Meeting
 September 21, 2016**

**Hosted by ZC Walter Kulesza of the Rochester Hills Lions
 and ZC Flaco Kontos of the Lake Orion Lions Clubs**

Location:

King’s Court Castle
 2325 Joslyn Rd, Lake Orion, MI 48360

Social – 6:00 PM – Dinner 6:45 PM
 (Cash Bar)

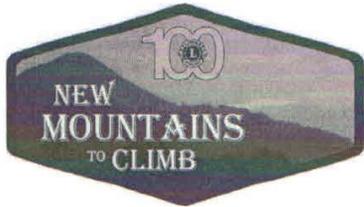
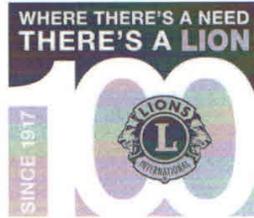
Meal Cost \$12.00

Please RSVP by September 7, 2016 to
 Lion Jim Pettinato
 3400 Ashley Dr, Orion, MI 48359

Checks Payable to: Lake Orion Lions

Name(s): _____
 Club: _____
 Number @ \$12.00 _____
 Total Due _____

All Reservations must be paid in advance to secure a meal
 Sorry No Phone Reservations



We invite you to Meet/Greet/Eat with our Centennial President, Chancellor Bob Corlew and his wife, Dianne, at the Baker College Welcome Center, 2800 Springport Road, Jackson, MI 49202

Friday, September 30, 2016
12:45 – 2:00 PM

Cost: \$12.00, which includes lunch.

Bring new members to be inducted by our International President. Have your photo taken with them and the Centennial bus. Enjoy the fellowship with other Lions from our state.

Reserve your place now for this unique opportunity! **Reservations deadline: Friday, September 9, 2016. You must register to attend.**

Send your reservation and money to: Walt Treichel, District 11-B1 Cabinet treasurer
9100 Dew Rd., Horton, MI 49246

Make checks payable to: District 11-B1

Name (s): _____

Club: _____ District: _____

Total \$ enclosed: _____



ATTENTION ALL PAST DISTRICT GOVERNORS

THE 2016-2017 WHO'S WHO IN MICHIGAN LIONISM

WILL SOON BE AVAILABLE.

**TO OBTAIN YOUR COPY PLEASE SEND A \$10.00 CHECK
PAYALBE TO THE PDG ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN**

TO

**PCC BOB JENKINS, PRESIDENT
PDG ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN
14282 VENICE DRIVE
STERLING HEIGHTS, MI 48313-4341
RWJ045@GMAIL.COM
QUESTIONS 586-532-7385**

YOUR \$10 PAYS YOUR 2016-2017 PDG ASSOC. OF MI DUES

AND PROVIDES YOU A COPY OF THE WHO'S WHO.

THE WHO'S WHO WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT EITHER THE

CABINET, REGION, ZONE MEETINGS OR MAILED.

**PDG's
(Providing Direction & Guidance)**

YOU'RE INVITED TO OUR
OPEN HOUSE
FOR LIONS 12pm-4pm



Saturday SEP 24
Friday OCT 14 **2016**

The Canine Development Center renovation will be complete this fall.

WE INVITE YOU TO COME BROWSE
“The house that Lions helped build”



Due to limited parking, carpooling is recommended.
Groups of 20+ must RSVP to 248/218.6421



WE HAD A GREAT YEAR SHOWING THAT TOGETHER
WE CAN, AND TOGETHER WE WILL, BECAUSE, WE
SURE DID!!

NOW LET'S GET TOGETHER ONE MORE TIME!

IMMEDIATE PAST DISTRICT GOVERNOR JIM'S
APPRECIATION DINNER



DATE: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2016

WHEN: 4:30 P.M. SOCIAL HOUR – 6:00 P.M. PARTY STARTS

WHERE: INDIANWOOD GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB –

1081 INDIANWOOD RD, ORION TOWNSHIP, 48362

COST: \$30 PER PERSON WITH CASH BAR

RSVP PLEASE BY SEPTEMBER 1ST

Send Reservation to: *Lake Orion Lions Club*

P.O Box 255

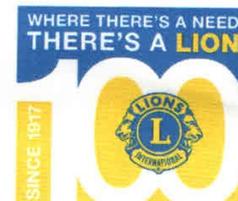
Lake Orion, MI 48361

Make Checks Payable to: *Lake Orion Lions Club*

Name(s): _____

Club: _____

Number @ \$30.00 _____ **Total Due** _____



Our 21st year. Sept. 9th & 10th 2016

The **21st Annual District 11-A2 Campout** is coming up September 9th & 10th 2016 at Thousand Trails Campgrounds on I-94 and Wadhams Rd. Please join us for a fun time!!!!

All sites and rentals must be rented for 2 or 3 nights. Thursday night camping is available. Please indicate 2 or 3 nights on your registration form and send appropriate check. Sorry, no shows cannot be refunded.

The prices this year are as follows:

Campsites will be \$37.00 per night. There is (1) Cedar Cabin at a rate of \$71.00 per nite and (2) rustic cabins at a rate of \$33.00 per nite

PLEASE GET YOUR RESERVATIONS IN EARLY TO BE ASSURED YOU GET A SPOT!

Make Checks payable to: Randy Lewis
3435 Pall Drive
Warren, MI 48092

If you have any questions please contact me at: (Cell) 586-202-7858

There will be a potluck lunch Saturday at 12:00 PM at the pavilion. Dogs, and Burgers will be provided, **please bring a dish to pass**. The potluck dinner has always been fantastic, plenty of delicious food, and great friendship shared by some of the greatest people in all of Lionism. The people that have gone to this in the past have always had a good time. If you have never been, you are missing a good time. Please come and join us. There will be horseshoe and euchre competition, plus many other fun activities.

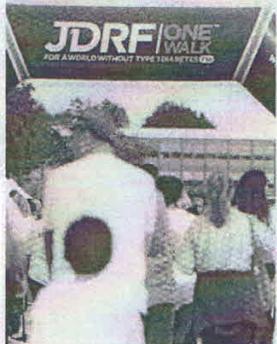
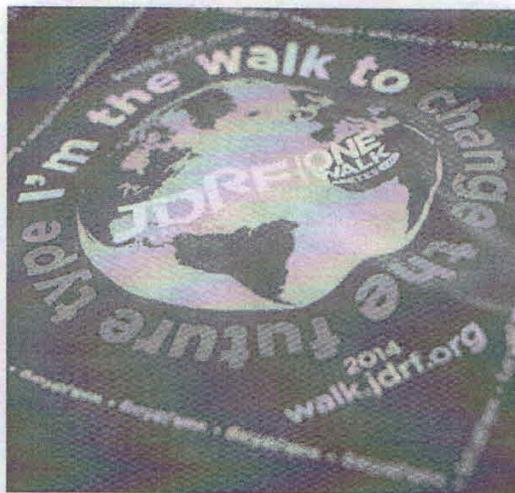
Please be advised that a reservation for a site or rental may include no more than 2 adults (18 and older) per campsite. Any one registering more than 2 adults per site will be charged \$5.00 per person. Anyone wishing to have additional **family** for dinner will be charged \$5.00 per person **and a dish to pass**. This is being done to make it fair for everyone and so we will have enough food for dinner. Please remember to **REGISTER** your guests for dinner and camping so we will know how many to cook for. I'm sorry; dinner only guests (other than family) cannot be accommodated any longer.

The closing date for cancellations will be July 30th 2016. Anyone canceling after this date will forfeit his or her monies. Sorry, park policy.

We're the walk the walk type

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September 25, 2016

Milliken State Park and Harbor
along the Detroit RiverWalk

1900 Atwater Street
Detroit, MI 48207

Schedule

Check-in begins: 8:30am

Walk begins: 9:30am

For More Info:

Shelly Robertson
srobertson@jdrf.org
248.355.1133

Register today at walk.jdrf.org



Lions of Michigan

STUFF BUS



USA-Canada
LIONS

A bus has been reserved for a Lions of Michigan trip to the USA/Canada Lions Leadership Forum in Omaha, Nebraska. The cost is \$210 per person round-trip.

This is a 48 passenger bus, and we will need 40 reservations to make the trip possible. Register now and get some Lions friends to join you!

The bus will leave Lansing, Michigan, on Wednesday morning September 14. Additional pick-up locations include Grand Rapids, then continue on to Omaha, arriving Wednesday evening. Return trip leaves Sunday morning September 18, and will take the same route back, arriving later Sunday evening in Michigan.

To register for the Forum go to lionsforum.org and register online. Many Michigan Lions are staying at the Embassy Suites Hotel. They have a great *free breakfast* and a *free happy hour!*

Make a reservation for the BUS by contacting PDG Bob Schalow at 231-288-0607 or lionbobmi@aol.com.



3rd ANNUAL PROJECT KIDSIGHT APRECIATION NIGHT

Fraser Lions Club
34540 Utica Rd.
Fraser, MI 48026
September 22, 2016
6:00pm

\$25.00 per person until Sept. 15, 2016
\$30.00 per person after Sept. 15, 2016

RSVP

Make checks payable to:
"District 11-A2 Project Kidsight"

Send to:
Kimberly Thiede
19160 McKinnon
Roseville, MI 48066

Club _____

Names _____

Continue names on back